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5 (A) **THE COMMISSION CONSISTS OF:**

6 (1) THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS, APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR:

7 (I) ONE INDIVIDUAL WITH A PHYSICAL DISABILITY;

8 (II) ONE INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS EXPERIENCED MENTAL  
ILLNESS;

9 (III) ONE INDIVIDUAL WITH AN INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY;

10 (IV) ONE INDIVIDUAL WHO IS BLIND;

11 (V) ONE INDIVIDUAL WHO IS DEAF OR HARD OF HEARING;

12 (VI) ONE PARENT OR FOSTER PARENT OF A CHILD WITH A  
13 DISABILITY;

14 (VII) FOUR MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC WHO HAVE  
15 DISABILITIES;

16 (VIII) THREE REPRESENTATIVES FROM STATEWIDE DISABILITY  
17 ADVOCACY ORGANIZATIONS;

18 (IX) ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE HOME HEALTH CARE  
19 INDUSTRY;

20 (X) ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM A STATEWIDE  
21 ORGANIZATION OF PROVIDERS OF SERVICES AND SUPPORT FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH  
22 DISABILITIES;

23 (XI) ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE ALLIANCE OF LOCAL  
24 COMMISSIONS ON DISABILITY; AND

25 (XII) TWO REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE INTERAGENCY  
26 DISABILITIES BOARD SELECTED BY THE SECRETARY, ONE OF WHOM REPRESENTS  
27 THE DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND  
28 MANAGEMENT;

29 (2) ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE SENATE OF MARYLAND,  
30 APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE; AND

31 (3) ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE MARYLAND HOUSE OF  
32 DELEGATES, APPOINTED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE.

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1 (B) IN MAKING THE APPOINTMENTS REQUIRED UNDER THIS SECTION, THE  
2 GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT MEMBERS FROM AMONG:

3 (1) THE GEOGRAPHIC REGIONS OF THE STATE; AND

4 (2) DIVERSE BACKGROUNDS.

5 (C) A MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS SHALL BE INDIVIDUALS  
6 WITH DISABILITIES.

7 (D) (1) THE TERM OF A MEMBER IS 3 YEARS.

8 (2) THE TERMS OF THE MEMBERS  
9 ARE STAGGERED AS REQUIRED BY THE  
10 TERMS PROVIDED FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION ON JULY 1, 2004.

11 (E) AT THE END OF A TERM, A MEMBER CONTINUES TO SERVE UNTIL A  
12 SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED AND QUALIFIES.

13 (F) A MEMBER WHO IS APPOINTED AFTER A TERM HAS BEGUN  
14 SERVES ONLY FOR THE REST OF THE TERM AND UNTIL A SUCCESSOR IS  
15 APPOINTED AND QUALIFIES.

16 (G) A MEMBER MAY NOT SERVE MORE THAN TWO  
17 CONSECUTIVE 3-YEAR TERMS.

18 (H) ANY MEMBER WHO FAILS TO ATTEND AT LEAST 50% OF THE REGULARLY  
19 SCHEDULED MEETINGS DURING ANY 12-MONTH PERIOD SHALL BE CONSIDERED TO  
20 HAVE RESIGNED.

21 (I) FROM AMONG THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION, THE GOVERNOR  
22 SHALL DESIGNATE A CHAIRMAN FOR A 2-YEAR TERM.

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24 (A) A MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION:

25 (1) MAY NOT RECEIVE COMPENSATION; BUT

26 (2) IF THE SECRETARY APPROVES, IS ENTITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT  
27 FOR EXPENSES UNDER THE STANDARD STATE TRAVEL REGULATIONS, AS PROVIDED  
28 IN THE STATE BUDGET.

29 (B) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE STAFF TO THE COMMISSION AS  
30 NECESSARY.

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32 (A) MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION SHALL:

33 (1) ADVISE THE DEPARTMENT IN CARRYING OUT ITS DUTIES;

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1 (2) MEET AT LEAST TWICE A YEAR IN MEETINGS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC;  
2 AND

3 (3) SERVE ON SUBCOMMITTEES ESTABLISHED BY THE SECRETARY TO  
4 CARRY OUT THE MISSION OF THE DEPARTMENT.

5 (B) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, A SUBCOMMITTEE  
6 OF THE COMMISSION CREATED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS  
7 SECTION SHALL BE CONSIDERED A PUBLIC BODY UNDER § 10-502(H) OF THIS  
8 ARTICLE.